

## Asian American Advisory Council

## Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

Minutes for September 23, 2020

2:30-4:30 pm by WebEx 1-312-535-8110. Access Code 1 333 873 6037 The meeting was recorded.

Call to order at 2:35 pm

Members present: Stany, Santhosh, Michael, Nancy, Lily, Sebastian, Benny, Saju, Barbara

A motion was made to pass the July minutes. Minutes passed as written. We did not have a meeting in August 2020.

Stany gave an update on the elections.

Marjorie, Nancy, and Stany attended the Joint Council meeting. There was not much discussion at the joint meeting. Tracy asked for an agenda for the next joint meeting in January 2021. Stany suggested that all members forward agenda items to the officers.

Updates on the employment plan was tabled for Marjorie.

Discussed Bret's (Acting Ethic's Officer) response to Andrew Suh's request for support from AAAC on his bid for clemency. Bret recommends that we do not get involved as a Council.

LAC program was held in August. Stany participated and thought it was well done. AAAC may want to consider having a program. We can form a committee to have a professional development program open to everyone. Stany offered to take the lead with help from other members.

Nancy asked about a list of Asian American staff that we can use for recruitment. We are looking for new members. Saju and Sebastian are on the membership committee. Santhosh nominated Turaia Ahsan.

Elections will be on 10/28/2020.

Meeting adjourned at 3:09 pm